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LAWLER, GRATCYK, WILLIS, WIN QUIET ELECTION

Henry J. Lawler, of 7 Adams Street, was re-elected to his post on the Board of Selectmen, while Mrs. Ruth Gratcyk, and Warren Willis, were elected to the School Board, in one of the quietest elections ever held in Wilmington.

This was the first time in many years that voting was not done in the Town Hall, and also, the first time that voting had been done in the New High School the cafeteria being set up for voting.

A complete tabulation of the vote follows:

SELECTMAN — 3 YEARS

Paul Brennan	111
Timothy F. Cunningham	479
Henry J. Lawler (Elected)	516
George E. Reynolds	287
Others	0
Blanks	28

SCHOOL COMMITTEE — 3 YEARS

Wesley H. Baker	266
George L. Beal	76
Francis J. Farrell	308
John J. Farrell	343
Ruth M. Gratcyk (Elected)	721
Max Leiter	368
Warren G. Willis (Elected)	466
Others	0
Blanks	294

MODERATOR — 1 YEAR

David I. Elfman (Elected)	1167
Others	10
Blanks	244

WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY — 5 YEARS

Joseph McManus (Elected)	1066
Others	2

WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY — 3 YEARS

William A. Anderson (Elected)	1061
Others	1
Blanks	359

WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY — 1 YEAR

Gardner I. Ritchie (Elected)	1090
Others	2
Blanks	329
TOTAL VOTES CAST	1421

WILMINGTON ROTARY MAKES 100 PER CENT

The dream of every Rotary, in one direction at least, is to be able to mark up every month, 100% attendance of members. Every club tries for this goal. Some make it, and others never achieve it. Wilmington has now got to the point where the members can say, "We have done it!"

February, for the first time in the club's history was a perfect attendance month, 100 per cent, all the way. Now all the boys have to do is to keep up the good work.

GREEN WHIST

The annual Green Whist, for the benefit of St. Thomas Parish, will be held in Villanova Hall, next Tuesday, March 11th. Father Regan is in charge, with Mrs. Elizabeth Kelley as co-chairman, assisted by a large committee. Many prizes have been donated, and a food sale is to be held by the ladies of the Parish. The public is invited.

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CHIEF OF POLICE ISSUES EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Chief of Police Paul Lynch has issued emergency regulations for the part of Wilmington near Villanova Hall, during the Town Meeting, next Monday night.

Traffic will be limited to One Way Traffic on Middlesex Avenue, from the junction with Church Street to Clark Street. Traffic will be allowed to proceed southwesterly, only.

Parking will be permitted on the following streets, as described:

Middlesex Avenue, from Church Street to Clark Street, on Westerly side only (Villanova Hall side). School Street from Middlesex Avenue to Buzzell School, North side only (school side), Adams Street, Middlesex Avenue to Church St., South side only (Legion Hall side).

Parking will be permitted in the rear of the Old High School, and in the Legion Hall parking area.

The Chief adds that these rules are drawn up for the benefit of all persons as an emergency set of Traffic Rules and Regulations. They will be enforced by the Wilmington Police Department, and he requests that the public cooperate. Any person who violates this rule will find that his car has been towed to a public garage, at HIS OWN EXPENSE, the Chief adds.

These regulations will be enforced from 6 p.m. to midnight, only, on Town Meeting night.

GEORGE HARNISH IN MARINES

George Harnish, of 20 Kendall Street, who was recently chosen for selective service, has volunteered, and been accepted by the United States Marine Corps.

Frederick Haley, of Reading, formerly of 62 Lowell Street was another boy who volunteered and was accepted by the Marines, at the same time as Harnish.

MRS. EVA HITCHCOCK TO VISIT PANAMA

Mrs. Eva Hitchcock of West Street, is leaving Saturday, to visit her son, Lt. Harold Hitchcock, USN, at his station in Coco Solo, Panama. Mrs. Hitchcock, who has always been a subscriber to the Crusader, will not miss any issue, because Harold gets the Crusader in Panama, thanks to the American Legion.

FOR THE SMOKERS COMFORT

New large ashtrays have been put into the town hall, near the seats which are there for the public convenience. The ash trays are about 18 inches high, and can take the ash from the biggest cigar any politician can smoke.

NEW TELEPHONE BOOK

The new telephone book is out. The pages are now the same size as are those of the larger cities, more than twice the size of last years pages. The volume is just about as thick.

There are no more numbers with five digits, all these having been changed to four digit numbers, but there are still quite a few numbers with three digits.

MILLWRIGHTS ATTENTION!

An industry in the process of moving into Wilmington is looking for two millwrights, and they have asked the TM if he knows of any. If you are a millwright, and want a job, see the TM.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE RELEASES REPORT

The Finance Committee has released its report on the 1952 Warrant. In the foreword, they state that if the town votes to follow their recommendations, the tax rate will be approximately the same as that of last year.

The committee approved of many of the articles. They did not recommend money for the DAV Clubhouse, and they have disapproved buying a new Fire Truck, the 5 day week for Police, and the installation of fluoridation equipment in the town water. The vote was split on the Highway Department article, and there was no action, for lack of information, on the articles for a radio system, and for a new school. The Finance Committee approved of the water extensions, but only $20,000.

GIRL SCOUTS, TROOP 81

The Girl Scouts, Troop 81 met at the home of Mrs. Jones, on Burlington Avenue on February 25th, for a regular meeting, and election of officers. Wilma Jones was chosen President, and Vice President is Evelyn Shepard. Secretary is Sandra Hibbard, Treasurer is Jean Marshall and the Reporter is Iva Bedell.

Mrs. Jones taught the girls to darn socks, and games were played. Refreshments were served.

WILMINGTON REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Helen A. Carver, to William E. Ellis and wife, Main Street.

John D. Cooke, to Richard R. Marquis, Gowing Road.

John D. Cooke to William H. Browne and wife, Oakdale Road.

Marie B. Ellis, to Helen A. Carver, Main Street.

Ralph W. Henderson, to Alice E. Henderson, Woburn Street.

Leonard T. Orlowski, to Henry Heller, Lowell Street.

NO LONGER TIRED

The Town Clock, after resting for a week, has been repaired and is now running.

NEW SIGNS ON THE TOWN HALL

For the first time in years, there is a sign on the Town Hall which tells the world the business of the building. It was erected yesterday, by the Tree Department. Black with yellow letters, it sits on the front of the building. Another sign over the door reads, "Town Offices."

JOHN DEC JOINS MARINES

A going away party was held on March 2, at the home of Mrs. John Dec, in honor of her son, John, who has joined the US Marine Corps. He will leave for Parris Island, S.C. on March 5th.

Friends and relatives from Cambridge, North Reading, Tewksbury, and Wilmington attended.

PAT CARBONE AT FORT LAWTON

Pat Carbone, Corporal, U.S. Army, has been home on a 10 day furlough, prior to leaving for Fort Lawton, Washington. His new address will be Cpl. Pat J. Carbone, RA 11-222-652, Fort Lawton Personal Center, Fort Lawton, Washington.

WARREN G. WILLIS THANKS VOTERS

To My Friends in Wilmington:

This is to thank every one who voted for me, who worked for me, and who helped me to get elected to the School Committee of Wilmington. I am deeply appreciative of your support.

As stated before the election, my platform is for a higher educational standard in our schools, combined with common sense business approach. I have no axes to grind. I have no political promises to consider. I shall endeavor to repay the citizens of Wilmington for their trust in me.

Sincerely,
Warren G. Willis.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY REHEARSALS PROGRESSING

The High School Play "Ever Since Eve", has been progressing in its rehearsals, and is expected that the players will be in top notch shape, on March 13th.

The play, which was given last year in Marlboro High, and is being repeated there by popular demand, is one that is popular with the cast. Miss Margaret J. Horner, of the faculty is the coach.

The Wilmington Rotary is sponsoring the play, and tickets are being sold by every High school student, and Rotarian.

ROBERT CARBONE DONS HIS CIVVY UNIFORM

Robert Carbone, of Concord St., who has served in both the US Navy and Army, has finished his tour of duty with the Army, and he and Mrs. Carbone are now settling down to civilian life on Concord Street.

ROSCOE DENAULT

Roscoe Denault, of Glen Road, who has been serving with the US Army in Fulda, Germany, has had a change of address. It is now Pvt. Roscoe Denault, US 51002839, 1st Bn, 14th AC, Co. B. APO 46, N.Y. N.Y. Roscoe is now learning to be a cook.

LADIES BENOVELENT SOCIETY

The last meeting of the East Branch of the L.B.S. (evening group) was held at the home of Mrs. Harold E. Smith Jr., on February 19th with eleven members present. A regular business meeting was held, followed by refreshments. The next meeting will be held on March 18th at the home of Mrs. Bernice Goldsworthy.

DOING WHAT— ARE YOUR OLD CANES?

By which this paper says, George is collecting Old Canes, etc., for the Military Order of the Cootie, a VFW organization, which helps out in veterans hospitals, etc. If you have a cane to give to an old soldier, bring it down to George's.

NEW BOY SCOUT PATROL

There is a new Boy Scout Patrol in Wilmington, formed on March 4th. It is the Green Bar Patrol, and in order to be a member, you first must be a patrol leader of another patrol. Senior Patrol Leaders Thomas Coombs and Richard Pellerin are in charge. Ronald Raposo is Scribe, with Arlington Marr, Assistant Scribe and Chairmaster. William Rosa is Fire Master, James Cotter Quartermaster, and William Fiske Hike Master. George Glading is Assistant Quartermaster, Maurice Doubleday, Assistant Fire Master and Ronald Coobs Assistant Chair-Master. The Patrol yell is "Be Prepared", and the reply is "We Are Prepared."

OVERNIGHT HIKE TO CAMP OMAN

About 10 Scouts, in charge of ASM Walter Rogers and Dudley Buck took part, last week-end in an overnight hike to Camp Oman. Hot refreshments were brought to the camp, in the morning, by Mr. William Rosa.

INCREASE IN LICENSE COSTS

Hawkers and Peddlers Licenses, in the Town of Wilmington have now been increased to $15 each, from the former $12. This is because of the increase in population to over 7,000, in accordance with the provisions of Section 22, General Laws, Chapter 101.

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"THE MAN OF SORROWS"

The renowned Passion Play, "The Man of Sorrows" will be presented here by the Boston Catholic Theatre on March 23 under the auspices of St. Thomas Parish. The performance will be staged at Villanova Hall.

Now in its 18th season as a touring production, "The Man of Sorrows" has achieved a notable reputation for its strikingly beautiful portrayal of the story of the Passion and Death of Christ. Since its initial presentation in 1934 the play has been staged in more than one hundred communities in Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire.

In the skillful and experienced hands of the Boston Catholic Theatre, the age-old drama of Christ is vividly re-enacted. The Sacred Drama brings to its audiences a powerful message, impressive, and with solemn dignity. Modestly presented, but startlingly real in its simplicity, "The Man of Sorrows" distinctively carries the gripping story of the Passion and Death of Christ to every audience.

WHAT ABOUT FLUORIDATION?

The people of Wilmington are asked to vote, next Monday, at the Town Meeting, on a proposal to provide for the fluoridation of the town water.

What is Fluoridation? What does it do?

In the magazine, "Chemical and Engineering News," for March 3, 1952, is an article concerning a Congressional Committee (the Delaney Committee) which is presently holding hearings about fluoridation.

Bruce D. Forsythe, chief dental director of the U.S. Public Health Service testified before this committee, "Never before has a public health measure been subjected to such thorough scientific scrutiny before being recommended as a standard proceedure.

Dr. Forsythe told the committee that the USPHS was not alone in its endorsement. He named a group of Public Health organizations which had endorsed this treatment, chief of which were the American Medical Association and the American Dental Association.

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THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE DID WELL

Last fall, the School Committee of Wilmington voted to transfer the contract for School Bus Transportation to the McIntyre Bus Lines, after several years of experience with the Holland Bus Lines of Woburn.

Their decision was not an easy one. On a basis of straight transportation, the bid of the Holland Company was lower, but on an overall basis, taking transportation of school athletic teams into consideration, the McIntyre Company was slightly under the Holland Company, in price. This factor, combined with what was a cumulative dissatisfaction with Holland, resulting from several years of complaints from parents, probably influenced the School Committee in their decision.

Time has proved the wisdom of this decision. In Woburn, as a result of the Holland Lines present difficulties, children today are walking to school. The Superintendent, there, has appealed to McIntyre for help, and has been told that, in as much as Wilmington contracted with McIntyre, that contract will be observed and kept, before anything else.

In this respect the children of Wilmington are fortunate. We congratulate the School Committee, on their decision.

THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

The School Building Committee faces a problem of no mean proportions. The members of this committee have decided, wisely, that they should survey the entire schooling problems, of the town, and not just one narrow portion. They have spent many hours in the office of Dr. John Marshall, the gentleman who advised so well, at the time of our construction of the new High School, and Dr. Marshall has been out here, to study, at first hand, our problem.

Dr. Marshall states that he would like to have six months, to study the problem. The town gave the committee half that time.

There are three possible courses open, for the committee to recommend. The first is to build a grammar school, at a cost of about half a million dollars (and where is the money?). If we do this, there will be a serious shortage of seating capacity, in the High School, by 1956 according to present estimates.

The second course is to build the second part of the High School, (and again, where is the money?), and shift the Junior High into the High School. This would temporarily alleviate the situation, but by 1956 there would be again, a very serious shortage of seating capacity, in the grammar schools.

The third course is to do nothing. This might appeal to a lot of people. If you do nothing, you spend nothing, they might argue. The trouble with this is that the town will actually spend twice as much, and have nothing to show for the money.

If the town does nothing about the schools, the only thing left for the Superintendent to do is to install the two platoon system, which system will literally cost thousands of dollars every year, over and above the normal costs of education.

Such a course would be the most expensive of all. We would be spending money in large amounts, and getting nothing for our troubles, other than increased taxes.

THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT GARAGE

In the warrant, for the Town Meeting, next Monday, is an article which seeks to provide suitable quarters for the Highway Department.

As the Crusader understands this article, the motion will be made on the floor, at the Town Meeting, to raise a sum of money to build additional quarters on Water Department Land, at the Pumping Station, for the Highway Department Garage.

This will be the first move, the second of which will be to enlarge and alter the present Highway Garage, for the use of the Fire Department and the Police Department.

There is no question as to the good intentions of the people who favor this article, but the Crusader believes that it would be a terrible mistake to adopt it.

The Highway Department Garage is in a very good location, for Highway Department work. It is close to the center of town, but not too close. It is in a position where all parts of the town are equally accessible, an important point, in the event of emergency.

What the Highway Department needs is not NEW quarters, but MORE quarters, to keep care of additional equipment. An additional building, in back of the present building, could solve the problem of the Highway Department, without too much trouble, and without locating all our equipment in the far northeast corner of the town.

From the viewpoint of the Highway Department, the garage should be where it is.

The idea of putting the Fire Department and the Police Department in the present Highway Department garage is equally untenable.

The cars of these two departments are at times required to travel at a high speed, as everyone knows. Can anyone believe that these two departments can stay at this location, driving their cars down a street with a school on one side, and a playground on the other, every day, for any period of time, without some child being injured?

The Crusader believes that a combined Fire and Police Station would be ideal, from many viewpoints, but NOT AT THIS SITE.

How about the land that lies between the present Fire Station and the Masonic Hall? It can be taken by eminent domain, if necessary. It will provide a good foundation, and it will not provide danger that the Highway site will, as far as our children are concerned.

How about the lot on Middlesex Avenue, near Weinberg's Store? It is more central than the Highway site, the police can get to the center more easily, and, again, the children will not be endangered.

Why are not these sites considered? Are we trying to save pennies? Could it be that the Town Fathers are loathe to lose the tax money that comes from either of these sites, and propose, instead, to erect hodge-podge buildings, in out of the way places, in order to insure a possible revenue of maybe $200 a year?

This is the opportunity to erect a decent Fire and Police Station, one of which the town can be proud. Such a station can be erected for about $60,000, if the town so desires. It would be far better, in the Crusader's belief, to either spend $60,000 and get a decent station, or else SPEND NOTHING AT ALL, rather than use second best ideas.

The first move, in either event, is to vote down any proposal to move the Highway Department.

BOBBY BARROW'S LATEST PIECE

Robert Barrows, who lives on Woburn Street, is probably the man in Wilmington who has more and better collections than any one else. Bobby, as he is known to his friends, has a collection of pictures of the locomotives of the Boston & Maine, and the Boston & Lowell Railroads, which is conceeded to be perhaps the best in the world. He has nearly a complete file of the proceedings of the United States Naval Institute. He has a picture of every submarine ever to fly the American flag. He has, among other things, a piece of the first rail ever laid in the Simplon Tunnel, an original granite sleeper from the first rail of the Boston & Lowell Railroad, and the original safety device which kept trains from colliding in the Hoosac Tunnel.

Bobby has collected these things through the years, and has spent quite a bit of time, travel, and money in this task.

His latest item, however, came free.

About two weeks ago, Bobby was aroused by his dog's barking, at something in the back yard. He looked out, and discovered a strange object hanging in the lilac bushes.

Investigation proved that it was a complete radio-sonde, with remnants of the balloon, and an orange parachute, to bring it back to earth. The radio-sonde is a miniature weather station, and radio, combined, which meteorologists release, to soar to the stratosphere, and send back radio signals which can be interpreted by the scientists. By means of this, our weather observers can tell what the weather is far in the sky, and this helps them in their predictions of the future weather.

Bobby wrote to the Bedford Weather Station and told them of his find. They, apparantly believing that the radio was damaged beyond repair, told Bobby that he could keep it.

It is not damaged. It is, instead, in complete and good condition. Falling into the lilac bushes preserved the radio-sonde from all harm, and now Bobby has one more item for his collection.

GEORGE FOWLER IN HOSPITAL

George Fowler of Main Street, is in the St. John's Hospital. He was taken there by Officer Markey and Huntley, on February 28th.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

The School Committee of the Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts, solicits bids for the annual procurement of such items of school supplies as composition paper, practice paper, arithmetic paper, construction paper, blotters, pens, pencils, rulers chalk, crayons, masking tape, scotch tape, pencil sharpeners, scissors, erasers, staplers, staples, paints, carbon paper, note books, manilla folders, elastic bands, etc.

Specific information concerning each of the required items, quantity needed etc., may be obtained from the offices of the School Committee, 159 Church Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Sealed bids must be delivered to the above offices by Five p.m., March 19, 1952. Bids will be opened at 8:00 p.m. on March 20, 1952.

The School Committee and the Town Manager reserve the right to reject any and all bids, if it be in the public interest to do so.

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ATOMIC ENERGY PLANT IN WOBURN

The Woburn Times carried a story last Friday, which stated that the AEC is going to locate a laboratory on Holton Street, in the town of Winchester, and the city of Woburn.

The laboratory, now located in Watertown, will be located in Woburn in about a year. Bids for the construction have been prepared, and will be ready for issue on March 17th., at Room 465, 55 Tremont Street, Boston.

The laboratory, which will be operated by the American Cyanid Company for the AEC will employ 100 persons, and will be principally concerned with ore treatment problems, and process development and in related problems. There will be no environmental, toxic, or radiological hazards. The building will be a one story reinforced concrete frame structure, of about 32,000 square feet.

NANCY MARSHALL RECOVERING

Miss Nancy Marshall, of High Street is recovering after a lengthy bout with the cold germs.

ERNEST RICE ILL

Mr. Ernest B. Rice, the Building Inspector of Wilmington, is confined to his bed, with illness.

WINCHESTER LADY RECOVERS MONEY

The Wilmington Police received a call from Winchester, from a Mrs. Miller, last Saturday, saying that a friend, a May Keating had forgotten her pocketbook on a B&M train and that there was over $300 in the purse.

Officer Albert Palace hurried to the depot and boarded the train. The purse was where the lady described it, and it was intact.

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WED IN CALIFORNIA — S. Sgt. Joseph B. Surrette and his bride, the former Alice M. Tymowicz, of Lowell are photographed after their marriage at a nuptial mass performed by Rev. Robert Connelly at the McClellan Air Base Chapel. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Tymowicz, of 362 Broadway, and the late Joseph F. Tymowicz, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Surrette, of 294 Middlesex Avenue, North Wilmington. Photographed with the bride and bridegroom are Sgt. Dorothy Rhodes, of the 1065th Comm. Sq. women's division, and Tech. Sgt. Anthony Sebesta, also of the 1065th Comm. Sq. as maid of honor and best man.

CONGREGATIONAL

The monthly meeting of the church cabinet will be held at the parsonage on Thursday at 8 p.m.

The Pilgrim Hall meeting for women will be held at 14 Beacon St., in Boston on Friday at 10:30 a.m. with Dr. Truman Douglas as speaker.

The Fireside Fellowship and their guests will meet at the parsonage on Saturday at 6:45 p.m. to go to the Melrose Y.M.C.A. for a splash party.

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FIRE RECORD

The Fire Department was called on March 3rd, at 8:45 a.m. to Dorchester Avenue for a small fire in a wood working shop, owned by Dominic Petricca. The fire was caused by an overheated chimney. There was no damage.

A second call at 9:10 a.m. was because of a short circuit, on a truck at Cain's Garage. Some wires were burnt, but there was no other damage.

N.Y. NOW HOME OF SACRED COD

Massachusetts may be the home of the cod but the cod is more at home in New York.

Haddock has replaced this North Atlantic delicacy as the favorite fresh fish of New England consumers according to officials of A&P Food Stores' National fish department.

The per capita consumption of cod is far greater in New York where haddock doesn't enjoy widespread popularity.

Current supplies of both varieties should be excellent during the Lenten season, the A&P says. In addition, housewives have their choice of other fresh fish and several types of fresh frozen fish and seafood to vary the family menu.

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Team High Triple—Bees 1657

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(1.) Seven million is the best estimate, according to Paul Wohl of the "Christian Science Monitor." Estimates of the number of persons confined in Soviet slave labor camps vary from three million to 23 million; but the best-informed anti-communist Russians estimate that the camp population probably numbers between five and seven million persons. By comparison, Russia in 1950 had only 13 million free industrial workers and employees.

(2.) Hubbell mowed down the cream of the American League during the 1934 All-Star game by using his screwball, explains Tom Meany in his book, "Baseball's Greatest Pitchers." In throwing a screwball, the pitcher breaks his wrist in toward the body as the ball is released, instead of away from the body. Hub threw so many screwballs that the palm of his left hand faces outward when he holds his arms at his sides, whereas in any normal person the palms face inward.

(3.) Some 243,000 Poles escaped Nazi and Russian concentration camps to fight alongside the Americans, French and British during World War II. Early in 1945 these Poles in exile learned that Roosevelt and Churchill had agreed to yield half of Poland to Stalin. Eugene Lyons writes in the March "Catholic Digest" that 113,000 of them returned to the western half of Poland after the war while there was still some hope of a free election. The other 130,000 are still living in exile. They won their war, but their allies surrendered the Poles' homeland to Stalin.

From articles in the March "Catholic Digest"

DECLINE IN INCOME

New England Electric System reports for the full year 1951 consolidated net income of $9,653,000, equal to $1.31 a share on the System's outstanding common shares. Comparable net income in 1950 amounted to $10,560,900, or $1.43 a share.

President Irwin L. Moore states that operating revenues in 1951 reached a record total of $104,998,000, exceeding the previous year by $5,620,000. Continued inflationary pressures, however, brought an even greater rise in the cost of doing business and resulted in a decline in net income. Increases in fuel prices, labor costs, and federal taxes on income were cited as three of the major reasons for the higher expenses.

The New England Electric System president says that System companies are off to a good start in 1952, with loads at high levels and good water conditions on rivers where the System's hydro plants operate. He adds that continued gains in volume are anticipated and that additional production economies will stem from the high efficiency generating units at the new Salem Harbor Plant in Salem, Massachusetts. The first of the two 75,000 kilowatt fuel-burning units in this plant went into operation late last year and the second is expected to be in service early this fall.

Another factor which will improve the System's net income during 1952 is the repeal of the federal electric sales tax as of November 1 of last year which is equivalent to about 10 cents net a common share on an annual basis. He notes on the other hand that labor costs will be higher in 1952 because of recent wage increases and that prices of essential materials show little promise of decheasing from their present highs.

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The White House (IES) - Aides expect that a Korean truce will cause the President to bow out of the political picture and undertake the role of elder statesman. The chances of a cease fire are not as good as they were a week ago but the chances are still bright.

New York (IES) - Taft's television dispute with Tex McCrary helped the G.O.P. candidate much with millions of viewers. He did not lose dignity despite a mob scene.

London (IES) - Leftist labor partisans are getting ready to protest Britain's atom demonstrations in Australia.

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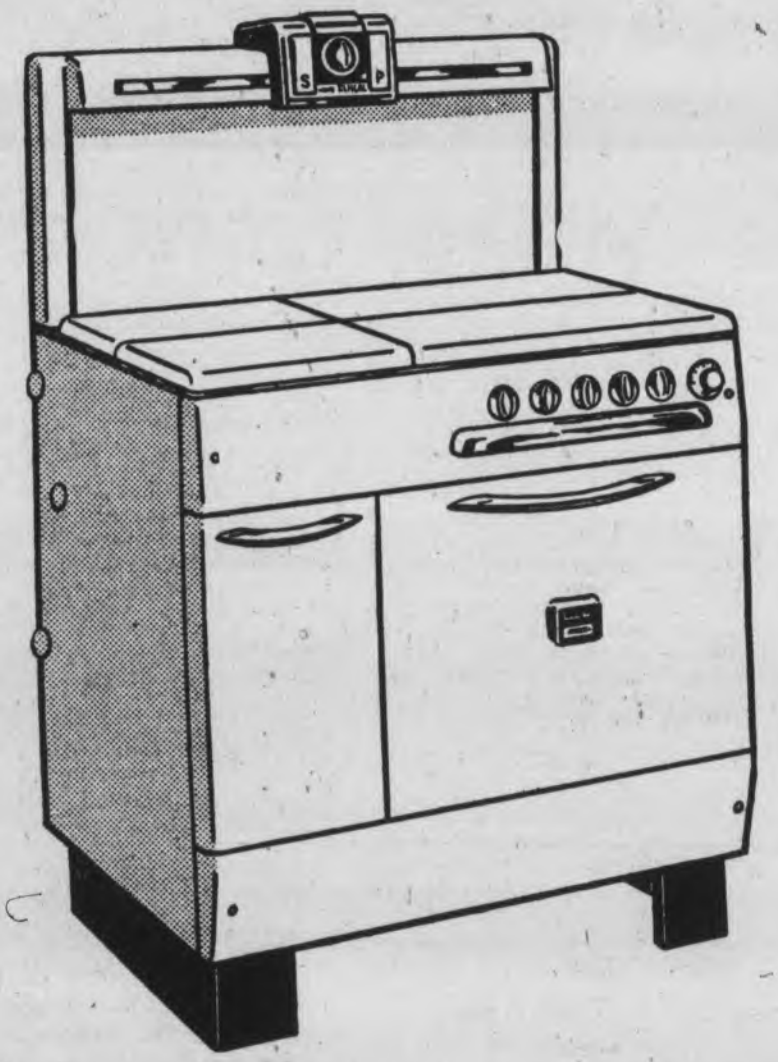

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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In issue of the 27th inst. are two mistakes, one in discussion of new telephone numbers your paper quotes the emergency number of the Fire Department at 420. I called them at once on 346 (the business line) to see if any such change had been made. They assured me that the old emergency number 421 still stands. Hundreds of people like my own family keeps the Police Fire and Doctor's numbers posted over the phone for sudden emergencies. This mistake could become suddenly very serious, even fatal. Will you have it corrected please and in big type.

The other mistake is in the Skating Club victories in Canada. They did not skate at St. Johns: that city is in Newfoundland 1800 miles from New Brunswick. St. Johns (not possessive) New Brunswick, is a sturdy flourishing city of approximately 70,000 population, founded by the Loyalists in the 1760's and possessing a tremendous history,military and otherwise. It is the only "winterport" aside from Halifax, on the Canadian Atlantic coast, has the highest tides in the world, the only reversible falls in the world and with all else laudable about it deserves at least to be correctly named in the press; simply St John with no "s" on the end.

The only other St. John of any size is St. John or San Jean, Quebec, on the way from Burlington, Vermont to Montreal.

St. John, N.B. where the Backman's and Jean Ashworth won fame has produced over the years some of the greatest skaters of all time and the Wilmington kids did wonders to win anything in that city.

Sincerely,
Irving Apppleby

THE FOUR RED HOUSES ON MIDDLESEX AVENUE

Ever since time began, or so it seems to most people of Wilmington, there have been four houses, in an old glacial valley, on Middlesex Avenue in Wilmington, four houses, alike and all painted red.

No one knows exactly when these houses were built, except that they were built after the tannery started in North Wilmington, and the tannery started in 1871. The best guess is that Boss White, the first foreman, who lived in the Allgrove house near the tannery, was the man who built these four houses, and that they were built about 1874.

The four red houses have been in the hands of the management of the tannery ever since they were built. Successive generations have been born, lived and died in these four homes all under the paternal wing of Wilmington's tannery.

Now the houses have been sold. A builder from Dorchester has bought them from Caleb Harriman, the present owner of the tannery, and this builder is planning to renovate these houses, possibly for later sale, according to reports.

The present tenants will all have to leave by April 1st.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS IN WILMINGTON

Althea W. Kelly & Assoc. to Laura B. Corliss, Boutwell Street.

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Richard Stevens to Edward Walsh, Elm Street.

Under Land Registration Act.

Charles A. Baldwin and wife to Leo O'Connell Jr. and wife, Faulkner Avenue.

DOROTHY SMITH BECOMES A BRIDE IN VIRGINIA

In a ceremony performed in the Naval Chapel at Arlington, Virginia, on February 2, Miss Dorothy Helen Smith, of 614 Main Street, became the bride of William Bradley, of Haverhill, Mass.

Miss Smith, class of '47, Wilmington High School is serving in the office of the Chief of Naval Operation, for Air, as a seaman in the Waves, while her husband, Yeoman Second Class, is in the office of the Director of Naval Intelligence.

Corporal Clifford Malcolm Smith, US Air Force, a brother of the bride, gave Miss Smith in marriage, and Miss Ione Satterfield, of Knoxville, Tenn., a seaman in the Waves, was the Maid of Honor. The Best Man was Joseph Lynch, of Haverhill, a life long friend of the groom.

The bride was attired in a pastel blue suit, with pink accessories. Her Maid of Honor wore navy blue, with white accessories, while her mother wore a navy dress, with a corsage of yellow roses. The couple left on their wedding trip in their naval uniforms.

After the ceremony, a reception was held in Quarters K, in Arlington, Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley plan to live in Arlington, Va.

Before joining the Navy, Miss Smith was employed in the John Hancock Insurance Company office, in Boston. She is a Past Worthy Advisor of the Wilmington Rainbow Assembly. No. 52.

THREE FORMER WILMINGTON MEN INDUCTED INTO SERVICE

Three men who formerly lived in Wilmington, but now live in other towns have been inducted into the Military Service, according to the Local Board 99, of Billerica. These three men are James L. Eldridge of Roxbury, Vincent D. Kane of Roslindale and Frederick A. Hailey of Reading.

TWO WILMINGTON YOUTHS INDUCTED

George W. Harnish of Kendall Street, and Donald E. Blaisdell of Main Street, were inducted into military service, on February 26th.

"THE MAN OF SORROWS"

The renowned Passion Play, "The Man of Sorrows" will be presented here by the Boston Catholic Theatre on March 23 under the auspices of St. Thomas Parish. The performance will be staged at Villanova Hall.

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NEW CITIZEN

James Alfred, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lynch of Woburn Street, was born on January 31st. James has an older brother, Joseph Jr. and a sister, Elizabeth.

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JIMMY GILLIGAN IN CALIFORNIA

PFC Jimmy Gilligan, USMC, is now in California, at the edge of the Great Mojave Desert, where he expects to be stationed for a couple of months. His address is PFC J. J. Gilligan, USMC, S. S. A. P. 21st; M. C. A. S. El Toro, Santa Ana, California.

ROGER DESHARNAIS A STAFF SARGEANT

Roger Desharnais, of South St., Tewksbury, a former Wilmington resident, has become a Staff Sargeant, at the age of 18, in the Army.

In Korea since last June, Roger has recently been transferred to Japan, where he expects to be for the next few months. His address is Sgt. Roger Desharnais, Hq. Hq. 19th Inf. 24 th Div. APO 24, San Francisco, California.

NANCY REID IN U.N. DISCUSSION

Miss Nancy Reid, of 216 Lowell Street, a student at Simmons College, was one of the participants in a discussion of the United Nations, which was held at Harvard College, over the last week-end. Some of the subjects discussed were Kashmir; International Trusteeship of Formosa; Russian Atomic Energy Proposals, and Korea. The meeting closed with a discussion on the thirteen countries which Russia has proposed to admit to the U.N.

TWO WILMINGTON MEN IN TUFTS AIR ROTC

Glen E. Connolly, of Edward Street and Robert C. Pipes, of Chestnut Street are both members of the Tufts College Air Force, ROTC program, in the second largest command squadron in New England.

Connolly,, who took many honors, in Wilmington High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Connolly, and is now a Freshman in Tufts College.

Pipes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Millard C. Pipes, of Bell Farm, is a Junior in the School of Liberal Arts, at Tufts. He holds a music scholarship, and is a member of the Odikon Singers.

Both boys are members of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALS

Public Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will hold a hearing in the Town Hall, on March 11, 1952, at 8:00 P.M. on the petition of Joseph E. Gray, to obtain a permit to buy, sell, and junk used cars, at a site behind 114 Eames Street, Wilmington.

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By virtue of an execution issued from the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex on the twenty-fourth day of November, A. D. 1951, in the suit of Woburn National Bank versus Howard M. Parker and Clara M. Parker, I have this day seized and taken and shall sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder on Saturday, March 15, 1952 at ten o'clock in the forenoon at my office, 53 Central street in said Lowell, all the right, title and interest which the said Howard M. Parker and Clara M. Parker had not exempt by law from attachment or levy on the ninth day of May A. D. 1951 at 9:00 o'clock A.M. when the same was attached on the original writ by Loring R. Kew, Jr., Deputy Sheriff, in and to the following described real estate to wit: Land in said Wilmington being lots 30 and 31 on a plan known as "Pine Grove Park Plan" containing 5000 square feet. Being the same premises conveyed to Howard M. Parker and Clara M. Parker, husband and wife, by deed of Peter Neilson dated March 15, 1944 and recorded in Middlesex Northern District Registry of Deeds Book 1120, Page 498.

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The last week was on the whole, quite benign. On three days there was some snow fall, but really very little, except for Wednesday. Measured in the terms of rainfall, there was .01 inches on the 25th, .20 inches on the 27th (3 inches snow, dry,) and .02 inches on the 1st of March.

ELECTION WEATHER

The week preceeding the election was about as quiet as it has ever been in Wilmington. No excitement, no nothing.

SNOW CLEARING

Our little paragraph, last week, about snow removal, struck a few responsive chords. Summing up the story, as a whole, we found many people in Wilmington who will state (and with whom we agree) that our snow removal, this winter has been better than in most of the nearby towns and cities.

Some of the cities near Boston are reported to be in terrible condition.

SUPER BLOOPER

We have committed bloopers in the past but never like the one last week.

Our story of last week, about the change in telephone numbers, was correct, but our linotype man got one number wrong, and our proof reader didn't catch the error. The number? The Emergency Telephone Number of the Fire Department. Can anyone imagine a worse place to pull a blooper?

To our linotype operator, and to our proof reader, a slight editorial tap on the wrist.

The Correct Number, for the Fire Department is 421. Your editor will never never forget that as long as he may live. 421.

SKATING

There is one good rule, to remember in March. Keep off the ice.

BLACK'S DINER

Your editor was pleased, Saturay morning, to see a beautiful cock pheasant and two hens, fly from the Methodist Church, across Church Street and in back of the home of Charles Black. He thought it was worth maybe a line, in the Crusader, but since then he has learned more.

Charlie and his wife have been feeding birds in back of the house all winter. Mrs. Black has identified 15 varieties who visit a feeding station there regularly. Grosbeaks, Chickadees, Sparrows, Pigeons, all come to dine at this orthinological paradise. The pigeons afterwards fly to Gould Buckle's roof, and there discuss the good and bad points of "Black's Diner."

The pheasants happened to discover some spilled grain and came back for more. Since then, Mrs. Black has been putting out dinner for these birds too, and six hens, besides the beautiful cock pheasant come regularly for lunch. They have eaten 450 pounds of grain so far, this winter.

SAP IS RUNNING

There are several maple trees around town, in which one may see sugar icicles, at the present time. Not good for sugaring purposes, the maples of Wilmington do have a little sugar content, as many small boys have found out.

SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE 128

Route 128, so far, has been a speeder's paradise, with no posted speed limits. A change is due though, very soon. A hearing is being held on the subject, today, in the State House.

The highest speed which is scheduled to be allowed is 55 MPH.

NO MUMPS IS WORSE THAN

Many Wilmington parents have had mumps in the household this winter. In other households, there has been, as yet, no mumps. Some of the mothers will tell you that the waiting is worse.

HOLES ON MIDDLESEX AVE.

We were bumping along Middlesex Avenue a week or so ago, and doing a little mental cussing as we bumped along. This is to report that the Highway Department has taken advantage of a couple of warm days to fill up the holes. A great improvement.

VANDALISM AT B & M YARD

Lt. Devine, of the Boston & Maine Police, reported that vandals, presumably small boys have been damaging the railroad cars, which are parked in the railroad yard over the week-end. Several windows have been broken, seats ripped, and other damage done.

SCHOOL SAFETY PROGRAM

Officer John Imbimbo, the safety officer of the Wilmington Police Department spent the entire day of February 27th., reviewing and lecturing the students at the various schools in Wilmington on safety proceedure, with regards to auto traffic. The correct methods of riding a bicycle were shown to the students, and moving pictures were used to demonstrate. Questions and answer periods were held in each of the schools.

RR STATION A MESS

Vandals broke into the depot of the Wilmington Railroad Station during the night of February 25-26, and created havoc with gum machines and other material inside the station. Broken glass and bottles were found by the station agent when he opened in the morning. Police believe small boys are responsible.

HOMER FITTS IN HOSPITAL

Homer Fitts, of Fairfield Road was taken to the St. John's Hospital, on March 1st, by the police ambulance.

ROBBERY AT GILDART'S

Wilmington Police received a report on March 1st, that Gildart's Gas Station had been broken into, during the previous night. The thieves had ransacked the station, turning it upside down, in a search for valuables, but evidently little or nothing was taken of value.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON MAIN STREET

There was a collision on February 28th, at the corner of Lowell and Main Streets, at 8:30 a.m. One car was driven by Donald Gelineau of 55 Rumford Street, Lowell, and the other by James L. Foley, of 12 Elm Street, Woburn. Both cars were damaged.

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WHAT ABOUT FLUORIDATION?

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He and John W. Knutson, also of the USPHS, told the committee that no evidence has even been produced that 1.0 part per million of fluoride in drinking water has, or will harm any living person or thing, contending that teeth are the first parts of the body to be affected by this recommended low level of fluoride concentration.

Dr. Forsythe stated that every dollar spent on water fluoridation saves $60 to $70 in dental care. From evidence of USPHS studies, he said, a community could eventually expect a two-thirds reduction of dental care.

On the cautious side was testimony from Alfred Taylor from the Bio-chemical Institue of the University of Texas. He told the committee that the policy of adding fluorides to the water supply should be considered harmful until proved otherwise. He felt that more research was needed.

Another witness, Robert S. Harris of MIT stated that he is, at present, in favor of typical auulication of fluorides, but that he was not convinced that the safety factor has been established for healthy and unhealthy human beings at various ages, and complained that research is inadequate on fluoride toxicity.

A description of the experiment at Evanston, Illinois, was given. Four years of a 15 year planned program have been completed, and dental decay is down 48%, the committee was told. Dr. J. E. Blayney, of the University of Chicago, in speaking of the Evanston experiment, added that any community that wishes to fluoridate its water should be allowed to do so, if the people are aware of the implications. Dr. E. B. Hart, of the University of Wisconsin had simnar conclusions, but pointed out that there were communities in the United States that had had water with the fluoride content above the prescribed content for many years, with no recorded ill effects., except a slight mottling of the incisors.

The report goes on to state that by next year, it is estimated that 34 million people will be drinking fluoridated water, and that over 4 million are drinking it now. A Gallup's poll, the report states, indicates that if public opinion is followed, most American cities will jump on the bandwagon, for fluoridation.

The discovery of fluoridation began with the observation of Dr. F. S. McKay, in Colorado Springs, who observed the mottling of the incisors on some of his patients. He investigated, and published a paper about the curiosity, a publication made with a Dr. McKay, who continued to investigate the phenomena after the death of Dr. McKay. In 1931, the chief chemist of the Alcoa Company, in Bauxite, Arkansas, discovered that water used there had a high fluoride content and simultaneously, other chemists in Arizona began to make the same discoveries.

As a result of a long study, the relationship between the mottling, and tooth decay was worked out. It was established that water with 1.0 to 1.5 parts of fluoride ion in a million parts of water was the amount that reduced decay two thirds, without any evidence of the brown stains that mottle tooth enamel.

In 1945, Grand Rapids, Michigan, was chosen as a test city, with 0.1 part per million, while Aurora Illinois, was chosen with 1.2 part per million fluoride. The results show that children of these places have very low rates of dental cares, and that, according to this article, even as adults, these same children will continue to show low dental rates for a lifetime.

In Newburg, N. Y., a similar test was started in 1945, which shows, after 5 years, in the 6-12 year olds, dental cares reduced 32.5%.

At the present time, 138 communities are fluoridating their water, and 60 of these are in Wisconsin, as a result of the Grand Rapids work.

Though acceptance is growing, there are many opponents. In San Francisco the Christian Scientists argue against fluoridation, on the ground of religious freedom. In Stevens Point, Wisconsin, the people turned it down, on a referendum, partly because of an argument that sodium fluoride, (which is not part of this program) is a rat poison.

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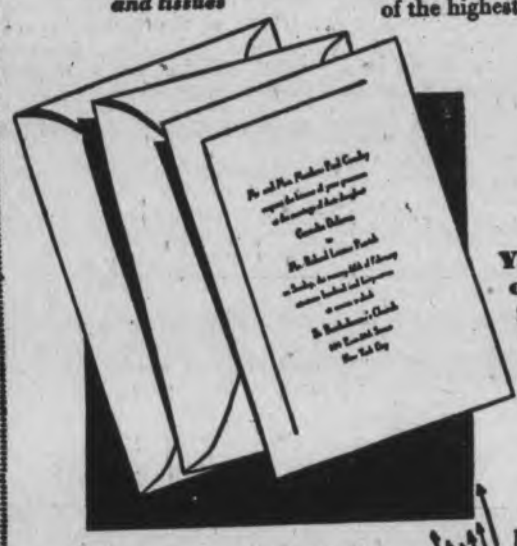

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PLAN BOSTON EVENING CLINIC FUND APPEAL

Winslow Sears of Chestnut Hill, Brookline, second from right, general chairman of the Silver Anniversary Fund Appeal of the Boston Evening Clinic, 452 Beacon Street, is shown discussing plans for the drive with members of his committee. Campaign for $250,000 will be held March 31 - April 30 throughout Metropolitan Boston, with money to be used to acquire new quarters and enlarge facilities at the Clinic, where more than 30,000 patients from all over New England have been admitted during its 25 years of public service. Shown with Mr. Sears, left to right, are: Albert W. Wythe of Roxbury, representing organized labor; Emile P. Coulon, Hotel Vendome proprietor and treasurer of the Clinic's trustees; Mr. Sears and Richard F. Paul, executive secretary, Massachusetts Petroleum Industries Committee, vice-chairman of the Clinic's trustees. Mr. Sears is president of the Croft Brewing Company and trustee chairman of the Boston Psychopathic Hospital.

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